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) Title: **METHOD AND DEVICE FOR  
PERFORMING COOLING-OR  
CRYO-THERAPIES FOR, E.G.,  
ANGIOPLASTY WITH  
REDUCED RESTENOSIS OR  
PULMONARY VEIN CELL  
NECROSIS TO INHIBIT  
ATRIAL FIBRILLATION  
EMPLOYING TISSUE  
PROTECTION**

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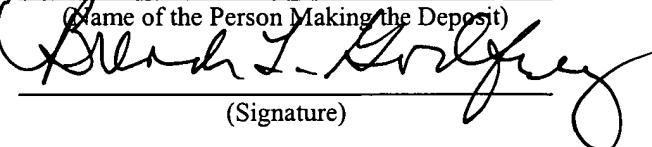
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